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### COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

# STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, AUGUST 7, 2001

APPLICATION OF

TELSEON CARRIER SERVICES
OF VIRGINIA, INC.

CASE NO. PUC000305

For certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services

## FINAL ORDER

On May 11, 2001, Telseon Carrier Services of Virginia, Inc. ("Telseon" or the "Company"), completed an application for certificates of public convenience and necessity with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Company also requested authority to price its interexchange telecommunications services on a competitive basis pursuant to § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia.

By Order dated June 6, 2001, the Commission directed the Company to provide notice to the public of its application, directed the Commission Staff to conduct an investigation and file a Staff Report, and scheduled a public hearing to receive evidence relevant to Telseon's application. On June 14, 2001,

Telseon filed a motion to allow additional time in which to complete the required publication. An Order granting the motion was issued on June 15, 2001. On July 16, 2001, Telseon filed proof of publication and proof of service as required by the June 6, 2001, Order.

On July 19, 2001, the Staff filed its Report finding that Telseon's application was in compliance with the Rules Governing the Offering of Competitive Local Exchange Telephone Service ("Local Rules") and the Rules Governing the Certification of Interexchange Carriers ("IXC Rules"). Based upon its review of Telseon's application, the Staff determined it would be appropriate to grant the Company certificates to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services subject to the following conditions: (1) should Telseon collect customer deposits, it shall establish and maintain an escrow account for such funds, held in a Virginia office of a duly chartered state or national bank, savings and loan association or savings bank, or credit union that is unaffiliated with Telseon and shall notify the Division of Economics and Finance of the escrow arrangement and any subsequent change. Any escrow arrangement established pursuant to this requirement shall be maintained until such time as the Staff or Commission determines it is no longer necessary; and (2) at such time as voice services are initiated by the Company, Telseon shall comply with all requirements of § C (Conditions for Certification) of the

A hearing was conducted on July 31, 2001. At the hearing, the application and accompanying attachments and the Staff Report were entered into the record without objection. No public witnesses appeared.

NOW THE COMMISSION, having considered the application and the Staff Report, finds that the Company should be granted certificates to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services. Having considered § 56-481.1, the Commission further finds that the Company may price its interexchange telecommunications services competitively.

## Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) Telseon is hereby granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity, No. TT-160A, to provide interexchange telecommunications services subject to the restrictions set forth in the Commission's Rules Governing the Certification of Interexchange Carriers, § 56-265.4:4 of the Code of Virginia, and the provisions of this Order.
- (2) Telseon is hereby granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity, No. T-565, to provide local exchange telecommunications services subject to the restrictions set forth in the Rules Governing the Offering of Competitive Local

Exchange Telephone Service, § 56-265.4:4 of the Code of Virginia, and the provisions of this Order.

- (3) Pursuant to § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia, the Company may price its interexchange telecommunications services competitively.
- (4) The Company shall provide tariffs to the Division of Communications that conform to all applicable Commission rules and regulations.
- (5) Should Telseon collect customer deposits, it shall establish and maintain an escrow account for such funds, held in a Virginia office of a duly chartered state or national bank, savings and loan association or savings bank, or credit union that is unaffiliated with Telseon and shall notify the Division of Economics and Finance of the escrow arrangement and any subsequent change. Any escrow arrangement established pursuant to this requirement shall be maintained until such time as the Staff or Commission determines it is no longer necessary.
- (6) At such time as voice services are initiated by the Company, Telseon shall comply with all requirements of § C (Conditions for Certification) of the Local Rules.
- (7) There being nothing further to come before the Commission, this case shall be dismissed and the papers filed herein placed in the file for ended causes.